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441—25.15 (331) Amendments. An amendment to the manual shall be submitted to the department at least 45 days before the date of implementation. Before implementation of any amendment to the manual, the director must approve the amendment. When an amendment substantially changes a county's policies and procedures manual, the department shall present the amendment to the commission.

- **25.15(1)** *Criteria for acceptance.* The director shall determine an amendment is acceptable when it contains all the required information and meets the criteria described in this division for the applicable part of the policies and procedures manual and is in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws. The director may request additional information to determine whether or not the amendment contains all the required information and meets criteria described in this division.
- **25.15(2)** *Notification.* The director shall notify the county, in writing, of the decision on the amendment within 45 days of receipt of the amendment. The decision shall specify either that:
- a. The amendment is approved as it was submitted, either with or without supplemental information already requested and received.
- b. The amendment is not approved. The notification will include why the amendment is not approved.

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